IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :

Osamu HIROSE : GROUP ART UNIT: To be assigned

SERIAL NO: 10/595,462 :

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FOR: X-RAY INSPECTION APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR CREATING AN IMAGE PROCESSING PROCEDURE FOR THE X-RAY INSPECTION APPARATUS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

Commissioner for Patents Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant wishes to disclose the following information:

Attached is a Written Opinion of the International Search Authority, accompanied by an English translation thereof. The reference cited in the Written Opinion has previously been filed in this application on April 27, 2006.

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the issuance of the first office action. Thus, no fee is believed to be due for this Information Disclosure Statement. However, the commissioner is authorized to charge any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 19-2042.

Respectfully submitted,

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